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Gunman terrorizes students

BY JOHN STAMPER

With a gun pushing against her head, she was left alone in her friend's car to pray — and do what the carjacker said to do.

Crime on the Hill entered a new era at 2:35 a.m. Friday with its first carjacking.

In that single instant an unknown white male pulled a gun on two students, taking one on a ride of terror before kicking her out and stealing the car she was driving.

Names of the victims are not being released because of concern for their safety.

According to police reports, two women were driving through Pearce-Ford lot looking for a parking spot when a white male flagged them down and said he was parked across the street and that they could have his spot.

The two let the suspect in their vehicle and drove to Normal lot where he got out to supposedly move his car, police reports stated.

The suspect then lifted the seat lever to let one of the women out of the back seat of the blue 1990 Toyota Celica. After she exited, reports stated he allegedly pulled a gun and quickly jumped into the back seat and yelled "get back into the car. This is a stick-up."

Then the carjacker's plan went awry.

With a gun in the carjacker's hand, the passenger refused to get in the car. Instead, she slammed the door on the carjacker's face and ran, leaving the driver to fend for herself.

"My first instinct was just to run," she said. As she ran from the car, the driver was repeatedly being told to "chase her," reports stated. The driver said she did not know where the other woman had gone.

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Recycling to start soon

BY JENNIFER WRIGHT

Starting in October, orange bins will replace the overflowing trash cans on Western's campus.

Mark Struss, Facilities Management director, said Southern Recycling will handle campus recycling.

Southern Recycling Inc. was the only company that submitted a bid when the university announced that it was looking for a company to handle paper and aluminum recycling, Struss said.

"We figured we'd only get one bid, from Southern Recycling," he said.

Southern Recycling is one of two Bowling Green companies, but Struss said the other, Mid-State Recycling Co., did not show any interest in the program.

The program will concentrate on paper recycling in the academic buildings, Struss said.

"Student and faculty participation will determine if the program will expand or not," he said.

Christopher Reed, a freshman from Hendersonville, Tenn., said without students' help, recycling is a waste of money.

"I don't think there is going to be a problem with participation though," he said. "I think students and

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Photographer, composer, filmmaker, author and artist Gordon Parks will speak to students today in Garrett Center. Two of his films, "The Learning Tree" and "Shaft," will be shown tonight in DUC Theatre.

GORDON PARKS

A RENAISSANCE MAN AND LOVE OF ARTS
SHARES LIFE WITH STUDENTS

Gordon Parks walks a little slowly. He has a gentle handshake. His long, cream-colored hair complements his dark skin. He appears calm; actually, serene may be a better word.

But that fades fast in conversation. His dark eyes sparkle. His laughter comes unexpectedly. When it does, one has to laugh with him.

And Parks is not afraid to tell it like it is.

"Listen," the 83-year-old says, a little patiently, "I have been without a roof over my head and no food in 35-degree-below weather, not knowing how I was going to live through the night. But I've never lost faith. And I knew I was going to make it."

That's coming from a man who has

lived through 15 presidential elections, witnessed the splitting of the atom, saw man walk on the moon and has immersed his life in the arts. He is a photographer, novelist, filmmaker, artist, musician, poet and choreographer. He holds 28 honorary degrees, has won an Emmy and has contributed considerably to pop culture.

"Renaissance man" is a pretty fair title for Parks to have.

Parks will be speaking to students at 10:30 and 1 today in the Theresa Gerard Auditorium in Garrett Center.

His story is an All-American one. It's rags to riches. It's tragedy to triumph.

Parks' mother died when he was

14. His family — his father and 14 brothers and sisters — split up, and Parks went to live with his sister Peggy in Minnesota. Tension ran high in the new household, and he was kicked out of the house in December 1926.

The 15-year-old didn't have a home. He didn't have a job. He slept on streetcars and once walked more than 120 miles to answer a "Help Wanted" ad. The work did come, but it wasn't what he wanted — Parks toured with a band, played semi-pro basketball, helped clear forests, was a railroad waiter and played piano in a brothel.

During those years, the times

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STORY BY CHRIS HUTCHINS PHOTO BY JAMES GLOVER II

Hughes to aid recruiting efforts

BY FRED LUCAS

Agriculture Department Head Luther Hughes got faculty involved in recruiting students. Now he hopes to help other departments do the same.

Barbara Burch, vice president for Academic Affairs, appointed Hughes to be her assistant. She announced the change at the Faculty Senate meeting Thursday.

"He'll be directly responsible for providing leadership and coordination for working with faculty to meet recruitment goals," Burch said.

Hughes' new title will be assistant to the vice president for Academic



Luther Hughes

Burch requested an emergency appointment to assist her with this new responsibility and chose Hughes.

Affairs for enrollment management services.

President Thomas Meredith said Wednesday the Office of Admissions will be moved to Burch's division from the direction of Jerry Wilder, vice president for Student Affairs.

An official search to fill the position will take place next year.

Burch said she chose Hughes because his department had a good recruiting record and was successful in getting faculty involved.

"We've had a good track record working as a team," Hughes said. "Now we'd like to have that team approach to the whole university."

Hughes recommended agriculture Professor Gordon Jones take his place as interim department head, though it is not yet official.

"I'm just pleased to have the

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Parking

Donna Harold hears numerous complaints daily from people enraged over tickets.

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Vending

After Christmas Break, Coca-Cola products will no longer be available on Western's campus.

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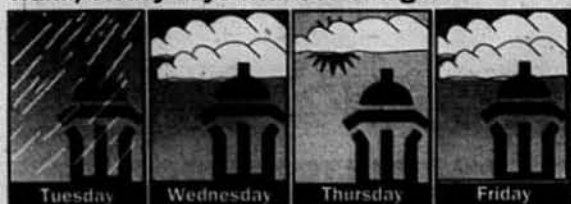
Football

Western beat Eastern Kentucky 14-7 Saturday.



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Warm, cloudy days with cooler nights

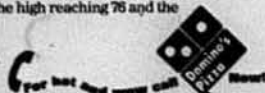


Expect showers today with the high reaching 76 degrees. The nighttime low will be 64.

Tomorrow will be mostly cloudy with the high of 75 and a low of 57.

Thursday will be partly cloudy with the high reaching 76 and the low reaching 55.

Friday kicks off the weekend with a high of 83. The low will be 55 by nightfall.



♦ Campus line

Men's soccer club meets at 3 today at Creason Field. For more information, contact the intramural-recreational sports office at 745-5216.

Latter-day Saint Student Association meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in Downing University Center, Room 308. For more information, contact Claire Rinehart at 745-6006.

Fencing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Smith Stadium dance studio. For more information, contact Daniel Faller at 842-1953 or the intramural-recreational sports office at 745-5216.

♦ For the record/crime reports

Reports

♦ John Carmichael, fine arts center, reported Sept. 2 a French horn, valued at \$2,000, was checked out by a former student in 1993 and never returned.

♦ Kristen Stallings, Huntsville, Ala., reported a blue duffel bag and its contents, valued at \$150, stolen Sept. 2 from her boyfriend's car parked in Bemis lot.

♦ Carrie Kurtz, McCormack Hall, reported her bicycle, val-

ued at \$130, stolen Sept. 4 from the McCormack bike rack.

♦ Michael Ann Williams, Big Red Way, reported her wallet, valued at \$30, stolen Sept. 5 from her purse in the fine arts center.

♦ Sharon Multer, Tate Page Hall, reported \$17 stolen Sept. 6 from her purse in her office.

♦ Courtney Raymer, Bemis Lawrence, reported her car window, valued at \$625, broken Sept. 6 in Creason lot.

♦ Jason Hooper, New Coed Hall, reported his rear truck

window, valued at \$150, broken Sept. 7 in Normal lot.

♦ Jackie Witt, Bemis Lawrence, reported her cordless phone, valued at \$65, stolen Sept. 8 from her room.

♦ Tracey J. Lewis, Bemis Lawrence, reported her passenger side window, valued at \$250, broken Sept. 9 in Creason lot.

♦ Stacey R. Coy, Pearce-Ford Tower, reported her truck bed cover, valued at \$140, stolen Sept. 9 in Bemis lot.

♦ Kerry W. Wood, PFT, report-

ed her driver's side window, valued at \$325, broken and a Pioneer amplifier, valued at \$200, stolen Sept. 9 in Creason lot.

♦ Laura S. Drake, Bemis Lawrence, reported her driver's side window, valued at \$250, and a compact disc player, valued at \$350, stolen Sept. 9 in Creason lot.

♦ Quintaila M. Weather, Central Hall, reported receiving a threatening phone call on Sept. 9.

♦ Gregory S. Hacker, PFT, reported his driver's side door lock, valued at \$250, was super

glued Sept. 9 in Egypt lot.

♦ Arrow Electric reported copper wire, valued at \$1,958, stolen Sept. 10 from the Jonesville Substation on University Boulevard.

♦ Anthony Franklin Jr., Poland Hall, reported his bicycle, valued at \$431.32, stolen Wednesday from the Poland bike rack.

♦ Richard Troutman, Big Red Way, reported Wednesday that five collect calls, valued at \$81.52, were wrongfully accepted in Cherry Hall.



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Play time:

While waiting for class in front of Cherry Hall on Friday afternoon, Bowling Green freshman Mandy Cherry plays with her 2-year-old son, Kane Martin.

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PARKS: 'No grass grows under this man'

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were tough. But there's something to be said for hard work, Parks said. As he did all these things, he taught himself how to paint, sculpt and write.

"It was not so much inspiration as it was survival," Parks explained. "I didn't finish high school. I didn't finish college. I wanted to be somebody. And I knew if I wanted to be somebody, I had to work my ass off. It was that simple."

So he did. After buying a used camera for \$7 and earning a reputation for good photography, Parks moved to Chicago and became a fashion photographer. He won a Julius Rosenwald Fellowship in 1941 after photographing the poverty he saw on the city's

South Side.

He later shot for Life magazine, showing readers the ghettos of Harlem and Rio de Janeiro. In 1963 he wrote "The Learning Tree," a novel based on his own childhood experiences. He then wrote, produced and directed a film version six years later.

Over the next few years, Parks made four more movies, one of them being the box-office success "Shaft."

Richard Roundtree, star of the 1971 film, said it was only after "Shaft's" release that he was able to really appreciate the man and artist Parks was.

"My appreciation for Gordon Parks only grows each year," Roundtree said. "I wasn't aware of the fact of how widespread his interests were. I knew he was a photographer, but I didn't real-

ize how extensive he was into music until the sequel (to "Shaft") when he wrote 'Don't Misunderstand.'"

"The Learning Tree" and "Shaft" will be playing at DUC Theatre tonight at 7 and 9, respectively. Admission is free.

Before, during and after "Shaft," Parks continued to delve into other aspects of art. He's been photographing, painting and composing. He's been writing books, too.

"I'll wake up in the morning and go to the piano to compose, or I'll paint," Parks said. "I can't understand why other people don't try to do things they were not aware they could do. I knew nothing about these things before I tried them. Nothing."

Roundtree has kept up with Parks' artistic growth over the years — it's been a great ride,

he said.

"He's been combining painting and photography these days. He's constantly growing," he said. "No grass grows under this man. ... He does everything. He knows everybody. There's no place you can go in this world that he doesn't know someone there."

And that's something students can get a taste of today. John Barnum, coordinator of Parks' visit, said students and faculty can gain a new appreciation for the arts when they meet Parks.

"I mean, here's a guy who has been established in all of the arts. He's an extremely creative man," said Barnum, a journalism associate professor.

At 2 today, selected students and faculty will participate in a one-on-one session with Parks. A reception sponsored by the

African American Studies department will be held in Garrett lobby during this time.

Howard Bailey, dean of Student Life, met Parks last night. He said meeting him is a good idea.

"The fact that students can interact and share ideas and possibly receive a critique of their work from a known expert is a chance of a lifetime," he said.

And working for Parks was an experience of a lifetime.

"If you look up 'class' in the dictionary, you'll see Gordon Parks," Roundtree said.

His voice grows quiet before he continues.

"I don't think the man is conscious of how much I appreciate him. And I haven't been able to tell him that. Just tell him Richard Roundtree says, 'Thank you.'"

RECYCLE: Project 'overdue'

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faculty are going to be motivated enough to want to participate."

There is also a possibility of providing bins to dorms to allow them to recycle, Struss said.

"The residents would set their bin curbside, just as in a residential area," he said. "Southern Recycling will come and pick it up for us instead of the dorms having to take care of it themselves."

The university will get paid for the recyclables, Struss said. The cost of recycling paper varies from month to month, but Struss is expecting to receive about \$100 a month for these recyclables.

The university will save \$20,000 a year by not having to make trips to Southern Landfill in Russellville, Struss said. This cost included manpower, fuel, trucks and other equipment involved in taking trash to the landfill.

"Normally the stuff that could be recycled would be thrown away and would have to be taken to the landfill," he said. "Now they will be recycled, and the trip to the landfill won't be necessary."

By allowing private companies to handle trash pick-up and recycling on campus, the university will save \$128,000 a year, Struss said.

Starting Sept. 2, Monarch Environmental began picking up trash on campus.

Western will pay Southern Recycling \$33,000 a year to conduct the recycling program, Struss said, but even after paying that cost it will still save \$95,000 a year.

"To get the program set up, for the first year it will cost an additional \$15,000 to \$20,000 to buy all the equipment needed for the program, such as the recycling containers that will be placed in the buildings," he said.

Southern Recycling representatives were unable to be reached for comment.

Munfordville freshman Jennifer Baker said recycling says something good about Western to other schools.

"Recycling on campus shows the students and other universities that Western is concerned with the environment and the future," she said.

Struss said the money saved will go toward ground maintenance and purchasing equipment. "It will also help us develop a weed program for campus, and it will allow us to develop a lot of other programs we've wanted to start but didn't have the money for," he said.

Glasgow sophomore Brad Vincent said campus recycling is overdue.

"I can't imagine all the stuff this university wastes everyday that could be recycled," he said.

GUNMAN: Still at large

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"There was no way I was going to go get her because if she had gotten back into the car, we would probably be dead," the driver said.

In fact, she got into another car whose occupants took her to the Hardee's on Russellville Road to call the police.

In the meantime, the carjacker made the other woman drive him to Sumpter Drive where he kicked her out of the car. She said she banged on a front door until someone let her in for help.

According to Capt. Richard Kirby, campus police are in charge of the investigation.

They're looking for a white male about 6-foot tall, 150 pounds with a small build, light complexion, clean cut, short-blond hair and about 20 years old. He was wearing a white hat, white T-shirt and

light beige shorts.

Kirby said at least one other student remembered seeing someone fitting the suspect's description earlier that evening.

The Celica, owned by the passenger, had Kentucky license number DPZ-876.

The two said they are more cautious now, but won't let fear control their lives.

"I'm not scared to walk out in parking lots although I have had a few nightmares about it," the driver said. "My parents told me that living the life of a hermit was no life to live."

Both women said they probably would not pick up anyone again.

"A lot of people around here are just really trusting, and they don't expect anything to happen to them," the passenger said.

Kirby said students shouldn't let a stranger into their car.

"You can't judge a person by what they look like," he said.

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Opinion

Moving office is unwise decision

In the process of trying to solve one problem, Western may have created another.

Moving the Office of Admissions from Student Affairs to Academic Affairs is a questionable management decision.

If President Thomas Meredith is unhappy with the performance of the Admissions office, why not make changes there — not in the administrative reporting procedure.

Changing to whom an administrator reports will not necessarily change the way the Office of Admissions operates within itself.

The whole decision leaves a lot of confusion.

The only thing that is clear is the Office of Admissions under Vice President Jerry Wilder was not living up to Meredith's expectations.

Perhaps the move from Student Affairs to Academic Affairs resulted from Wilder's unwillingness to make changes in the Admissions office.

But why would the president want to weigh down newly-appointed Vice President Barbara Burch in her first semester at Western?

At least a new assistant for Burch will help to ease her load.

Appointing Luther Hughes as an

assistant to the vice president overseeing enrollment management services makes sense because his recruiting record for the agriculture department is outstanding.

But Wilder probably should have been given the chance to take advantage of the increased emphasis on recruiting with Hughes' help.

There's no doubt that the president is pleased with Burch, one of his newest team members.

Of course, she's not going to say she can't handle the new responsibilities; naturally she will accept all the challenges her employer gives

her — even if it's a curve ball.

Deborah Wilkins, executive assistant to the president, said the president wanted the Office of Admissions to have more faculty involvement.

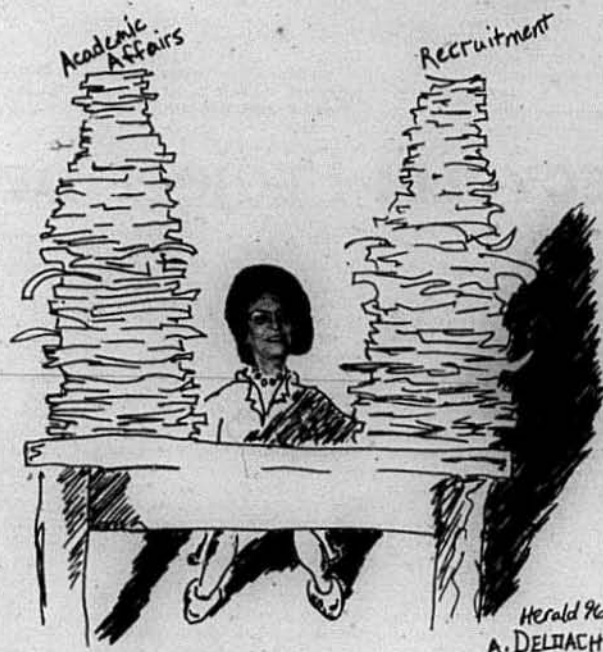
But if the Office of Admissions was not meeting standards on getting the level of faculty involvement Meredith wants, how was that Wilder's fault?

If the men's golf team is playing poorly, the solution is not to have the coach report to the dean of the College of Education instead of the athletics director simply because a lot of education professors play golf.

Most chief executive officers would make changes at the source of the dissatisfaction — the Office of Admissions.

◆ **The issue:** The Office of Admissions has been moved under the division of Academic Affairs to get more faculty involvement.

◆ **Our view:** This is a bad management decision to dump the problems that Student Affairs and Admissions weren't taking care of on new Vice President Barbara Burch.



◆ Letters to the editor

Interracial couples are beautiful

This letter is regarding Darryn Simmons' article on Tupac Shakur in the Sept. 12 edition of the Herald.

I agree with Mr. Simmons' commentary that the "whole gangsta rap mentality" is dying. It has played its part in the urban community, and hopefully gangsta rap's downfall will be the first step to help stop violence by not showcasing rap stars that are involved in violent episodes. Even though it is questionable that gangsta rap has influenced a generation of violence, especially in teenagers, cessation of negative

media attention on the Death Row and Bad Boy records issue will definitely not hurt rap's image as a powerful tool to educate and bring awareness to the masses.

Mr. Simmons' advice for the black brothers of society to educate themselves and to become employed is to be praised. However, the suggestion to procreate with black women is exclusive and almost militant. What about interracial relationships? Love sees no color, and love is what gives us strength to "fight" racism and violence whether it's

within cultures or between. Does that make a black man married to a white woman with a child together less of a "real man?" I don't think so.

In a personal note to Darryn Simmons, I enjoy reading your articles. It is refreshing to know that one of the Herald's journalists is writing material on black issues. I am aware that some of your previous articles have received criticism that you have made racist remarks.

Being a black journalist, writing articles of cultural interest seems to always have negative feedback due to the subject matter. Please remember that there are some readers, such as

myself, that aren't black who enjoy the cultural insight that your articles give us.

And by the way, I don't think my black fiancé feels he is any less of a "real man" because he has chosen to be with me. He feels, as a matter of fact, that anybody who gives strength, period, to a relationship makes the cultures involved more strongly bonded. Thank you for your time.

Stacie Dean
former Western student
from Bowling Green

article in the Herald (Sept. 12). A difference needs to be drawn between marijuana and hemp and lines between their true activists. This simple lumping of names (movements/plants) discredits the true hemp movement in the conservative (manner) and further blurs that line separating these.

Hemp for commercial purposes is at a different variety than the marijuana the "average" person might see as a "drug."

Paul Dixon
Bowling Green junior

Hemp clarified

There seems to be a discrepancy concerning Stephen Lega's

Editor's note: According to Eric Steenstra, vice president of Hemp Evolution, industrial hemp and marijuana are the same plant. The difference is in how it's cultivated.

People poll

◆ Should hemp be legalized for industrial uses in Kentucky?



"I wouldn't know enough about it to say either way on that."

Craig Catlett,
Bowling Green
junior



"I don't think so. With the big deal they're making out of tobacco, hemp is much stronger than that."

Jennifer Ballard,
Cave City
sophomore



"Yes, it has so many uses that we should use it especially in the economic crisis we have for today."

Adrienne Asbell,
Paducah
junior



"As long as it's strictly for industrial uses, I don't mind."

Randall Kelley,
junior from
Vidalia, Ga.



"I say so. I don't see any reason why not. It's not like you can smoke paper ... or boxes."

Maria Whitlock,
Frankfort
freshman

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Forum

Races becoming less distinct each year

I remember the first time I saw black skin. I was 4 years old, and a black woman who worked with my mom was at our house. I was fascinated by her dark skin. I remember reaching up to touch her arm to see if she had something on it. She must have sensed what I was doing when I looked at my small hand. She said with a bemused smile, "That black's still there, baby."

I never thought too much more about it until one day in church, sometime in 1975. (Yes, 1975.) I headed towards one of the pews in the back and was getting ready to sit down beside an older black gentleman, when my grandfather took me by the hand and told me I couldn't sit there because that was where the black folks sat. My 6-year-old logic was, "Well, does it have their names on it?"

Such was my first experience with racism.

I grew up in a small town where the lines between black and white were strictly drawn. I remember getting a valentine from a boy in my second-grade class who was black, and at that age, I couldn't understand the big deal everybody was making when I called him "my boyfriend."

By the time I got to my teenage years, the damage was done. Somehow along the way, I started believing all the things I'd hear from white people about blacks. They steal. They're all rapists, and they especially love white women. They're all lazy and on welfare. And I believed it. I have no excuse except my ignorance at the time.

With a little education and a little exposure to black culture, my perceptions began to change.

It started several years ago, when I went to a black nightclub with some friends. I got out on the dance floor and did a dance called the Electric Slide. I noticed that nobody there seemed to care that I was one of three whites at the club and the only one on the dance floor.

Two women on either side of me just told me to watch what they did and turn when they turned. So I did. By the end of the song, I was in step and having a blast. I thought to myself, "If color doesn't matter to them, then it shouldn't matter to me."

Last semester, I took a course in African-American history. Several times during the class, I would read about the indignities that the black race suffered under whites.

I tried to imagine how I would have felt if I was 5 years old and someone was taking my mother away to another state, never to be seen by me again. Although I can't help or change what has happened in the past, it did make me realize that the black

Black Irish are group of people who descended from the Irish and Spanish when some boats from Spain crashed on the shore of Ireland in the 1500s. Some of them eventually made it to America.

The story of humankind is full of other examples of races and cultures mixing together.

Don't let that last name of mine fool you. I'm a "mutt," too. My great-great-grandfather on my mother's side, Heinrich Von Peters, came over here from Germany sometime around 1870. He changed his name to Henry Peters. How American?

In studying my family tree, I have also found some traces of Scot and Native-American blood, and even African blood.

I guess I'm trying to say every person is beautiful, and it took many years of mixing many peoples to make us that way. I saw a couple the other day who seemed to be perfect together because of their obvious differences. She was a real carrot-top red-head, and he was a brother of very dark hue.

But there are still people who look down their noses at this sort of couple. There are still people, black and white, who think everybody should stick to their

own kind. I wonder, what kind of example is this setting for the children of these people?

Whether it's the black parent telling their child that all white people are evil, or the white parent enraged because his daughter is marrying a black man, it's still racism.

If young people have these attitudes, then how many more generations will it take before racial harmony is more than just a dream? I have a vision of all races merging, and someday, historians will write about how there was once a race of dark peoples and a race of light peoples that came together to form one race.

It may take a while, but it could happen. It doesn't matter how we got here; the fact is we're all here. Let's try to get along.

I sometimes wonder if the human race is destined to merge with another kind of race from another world.

The Captain Kirk of this ship probably won't be white. He might not be a he, either.

Editor's note: Beth Flanagan is a senior English major from Lebanon.

Beth Flanagan
Commentary



race is a strong and beautiful people.

Taking that class also strengthened my opinion that America is a land of the "mutt."

Did you know that if you live in the South and you're black, you have a one-in-five chance of having white blood, and that if you're white, you have a 22 percent chance of having black blood? This is according to my history class.

And it's not just blacks and whites that have mixed. The

Women's power is ability to pick

I was sitting at my computer this week drifting through the various chat rooms on the Internet, when out of nowhere a young man messaged me with a question.

"What is the best thing about being a woman?"

I thought for a short moment and then responded, "the power."

"Explain," he requested.

It's quite simple really. Women are the creators of this Earth. Only a woman can carry life inside her. Only a woman can create the sustenance to feed that new life. And, in a world of sperm banks, women don't even need men to create that life.

It is the egg that men covet and posture to capture so that they can continue their line.

Even in nature, the males of many species are adorned with the brightest, most colorful feathers, the luxurious manes, fabulous horns and marvelous strength, while the female sits demurely on the sidelines, perhaps laughing quietly to herself at the silly games. In the end, she picks the one that best suits her.

Such displays can be found in every bar, classroom and office. Men courting, wooing and pleading for the affections of a woman.

And, women simply waiting for the one they want. Assuming that the sexual drive is the strongest in human nature (well, actually just in nature), then women have the power, for women have what men want.

The young man I was corresponding with on my computer was quiet, or as quiet as you can be on a computer screen. And, then finally asked, "What is the worst

thing about being a woman?"

I thought again, and replied, "the lack of power."

"How can that be?" he asked.

Well, women do not have the same physical strength that men do. Men can take from a woman what they want physically. Such displays of violence leave a woman powerless, and more often than not, destroyed.

Only men have that sort of power. But, on a broader scale, we still live largely in a man's world, where words like "glass ceiling" and "sexual harassment" prevail. And, although I do not number myself among man-bashers, man-haters or feminine activists, I would be naive to ignore this current state of affairs.

The majority of the lawmakers in this country are men; the greatest number of corporate heads are still men. And, perhaps there is some sense of security that men derive from having the power to advance or steal a career (of a man or a woman).

I do not place blame on men, or religious influences. It is merely the way that our society has evolved. If I do not like it, I work to change those parts I do not like. Or if I choose not to change anything, then I accept it and move on.

It is there for now and true for now, but perhaps it will change as the years pass by. Only time will tell.

For the most part, I simply take the inherent knowledge that in the larger scheme of things, women have the power. I smile secretly to myself and to my women friends and do my best to achieve my own goals in today's society.

Editor's note: Amy Walker is an education graduate student from Cadiz.

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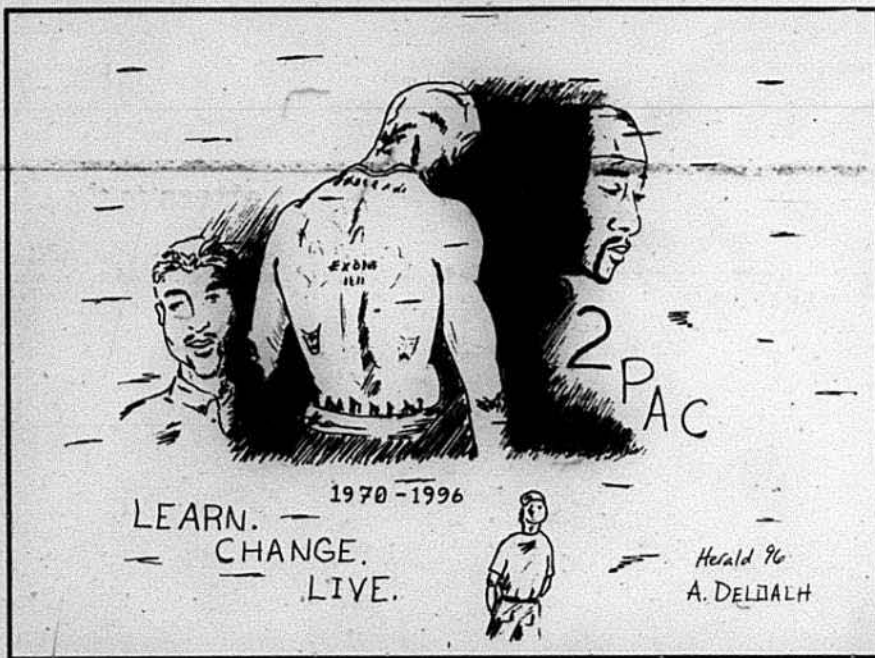
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Western takes Pepsi challenge

By STEPHEN LEGA

Michael Maxwell drank a Diet Coke yesterday morning as he reviewed his notes in the lobby of Garrett Center.

Next semester, the Russellville freshman won't be able to enjoy that beverage. In the future, it will have to be a Pepsi product.

Pepsico Inc. was awarded Western's beverage rights for five years starting in January, said Gary Meszaros, Director of Business Services.

This means Pepsi will provide drinks in campus restaurants, vending machines and at athletic events, he said. Previously, there were separate contracts for each area, Meszaros said.

Maxwell said it didn't bother him that Pepsi products will be the only ones sold on campus next semester.

"I'd rather have Coke," he said. Maxwell said he wanted to know if the price would change.

"We have every intention of going in at the same price," said Kevin Forney, Pepsi's Bowling Green branch manager.

Meszaros said if sales stay the same, Western will receive about \$35,000 more per year.

The university receives a 49 percent commission from soft drink and fruit juice vending machine sales. Under the new contract, Western will receive 57 percent of all vending machine sales, he said.

The vending machine contract with Coca-Cola Co. expires Dec. 18, Meszaros said. New machines will be installed during Christmas Break, he said.

There are 32 vending machines on campus equipped to allow students to purchase soft

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— Janet Salmon
Louisville freshman

drinks with Big Red Dollars, Meszaros said, and that service will be expanded to 40 machines.

Because Coke distributes Minute Maid, the fruit juice machines will also look different. Pepsi will fill those machines with Ocean Spray juices, Meszaros said.

Louisville freshman Janet Salmon said she drinks Coke more than Pepsi, but she's not really concerned about the change.

"I don't really buy that many Cokes from the Coke machines anyway," she said.

The beverage rights contract, however, means more than who sells what soft drinks in the dorms and at football games.

"It will certainly benefit us," Athletics Director Lewis Mills said.

Pepsi will give about \$260,756 to the Athletic Department during the next five years, Forney said.

"It will aid in getting a much-needed football scoreboard," said Wayne Orscheln, Hilltopper Athletic Foundation coordinator.

The money Pepsi contributes will help Western purchase a new scoreboard for Feix Field and renovate the track around it, according to Orscheln.

No decision has been made about the style of the scoreboard, but the Athletics Department is considering spending about \$100,000, Orscheln said.

Before they can begin work on the scoreboard, Western will need more sponsors, he said.

Pepsi now has advertising rights at all Western sporting events as well, Orscheln said.

Pepsi will also be giving \$1,000 annually to the Agricultural Exposition Center, Forney said.

Luther Hughes, who was agriculture department head until yesterday, said he was excited about the contribution. Hughes is now assistant to the vice president for Academic Affairs for enrollment management services.

"This gets us over a big hurdle where we have, for the first time, money to make improvements we haven't been able to make before," he said.

The money will help pay for some paving around the ag expo center, a sound system at the center and promotion for the center's activities, Hughes said.

Regent resigns from Frankfort position

HERALD STAFF REPORT

Fred Mudge, a member of the Board of Regents, will be leaving his position as secretary of Transportation in Frankfort.

Gov. Paul Patton appointed him last December.

Board Secretary Liz Esters said it probably wouldn't affect his position as regent.

Mudge held a news conference Friday announcing that he

will leave the office on Sept. 30.

The Lexington Herald-Leader reported that Mudge said he was leaving to take a senior executive position at a business firm he would not reveal.

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HUGHES: Work will be 'advantageous'

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opportunity to do this and hopefully continue to keep the agriculture department moving forward," Jones said.

Hughes said he is anxious to put together a recruitment plan for the university.

"We hope to develop a plan that works with students, alumni and especially faculty," he said.

Burch said she is looking forward to directing the department and supports involving faculty in recruitment.

"Recruitment and retention are the concern and business of everyone on campus, and certainly of those in the academic community," she said.

Admissions Director Cheryl Chambliss said she is looking forward to working with Hughes.

"I know Dr. Hughes is very excited," she said. "His working with faculty will be very advantageous."

But Hughes will be missed by some of his colleagues, said Nevil Speer, an agriculture assistant professor.

"We're sad to see him go, but we congratulate him," he said.

Hughes, a 1988 Kentucky Professor of the Year, said he

would miss the agriculture department.

"I have mixed feelings about leaving my department after 14 years," he said.

Hughes said he owes the success of the agriculture department to the involvement of faculty.

"We gave a personal approach from faculty, staff and students in developing plans," he said. "As faculty, we fail to appreciate the impact we have in talking about our expertise in our area."

He said next to basketball players, agriculture students are the most highly recruited in the state.

"You've got to get out there and know them, not in their senior year or junior year, but early," Hughes said.

Between 400 and 500 students are declared agriculture majors this year. Western's department is the second largest in the state behind the University of Kentucky, he said.

Hughes said he would get departmental input for a solution to increase enrollment.

Burch said students have to realize the benefits of higher education for an increase in recruitment.

"Education holds the key to a better life for people," she said.

SGA stirs spirit for Hilltoppers

By KIM LEONARD

About 200 students showed up for free food, entertainment and school pep Friday night.

"We had a lot of spirit, and it turned out really well," said Heather Rogers, Student Government Association public relations committee chairwoman.

Members of the football team spoke at the second SGA pep rally. Bowling Green junior John Centimole said as a football player, he appreciated the support before the Western-Eastern game.

"Anytime students come to support us, it's a good thing," he said. "If they came out here tonight, they'll come tomorrow night. It's a big game for us, and we need all the support we can get."

Football players weren't the only students with spirit Friday night.

The cheerleaders and Topperettes danced the Macarena and the band Delirium performed.

Phi Mu sorority won \$100 munch money for showing the most spirit. They also won \$50 for having the most members at the rally. It will be donated to their sponsored charity, Kosair Children's Hospital in Louisville. Kappa Delta and Sigma Kappa sororities tied for the prize last year.

"I'm glad we were here to support the team," said Phi Mu member Sarah McLaughlin, a Shelbyville sophomore.

Rogers said she was thrilled by the good turnout. About 50 students attended last year's rally for the game against the University of Alabama-Birmingham.

"It feels really good, and I'm glad to see students involved," the Alvaton sophomore said.

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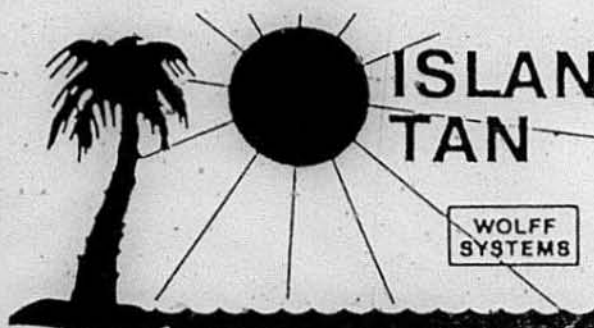
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PARKING: 'Enough is enough' for campus police workers

By JOHN STAMPER

Excuses, excuses, excuses — Donna Harold has heard them all.

From "there was nowhere else to park" to "where do you want me to park, on my head?" she listens to parking problems for hours at a time.

On a good day, she said she doesn't even get cussed.

In addition to other co-workers and six student employees for campus police, Harold said she lends an ear, then makes parking violators pay the ticket anyway.

Last year, workers listened to complaints and excuses for almost all of the 16,689 tickets issued.

Harold said listening to every complaint with a genuine interest is important because she knows how frustrating parking at Western can be.

"We know parking on campus for the first couple of weeks is tough," Harold said.

But when excuses and complaints turn into fits of rage, her sense of compassion turns into a quick prayer.

"There is really nothing you can do but just stand there," she said. "We have told them to leave and come back."

If that doesn't work, Officer Gordon Turner is called in to settle the problem.

Turner was asked to talk to Louisville junior Jenny Paris

Sept. 4 after she refused to pay a \$25 ticket she received on Sept. 1.

Paris said she parked in a handicapped spot with her flashers on, so she could unload her vehicle after the Labor Day weekend.

"I was in there five minutes just unloading my stuff," she said. "It's ridiculous. They have no compassion on the students."

No matter why a ticket is

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— **Horace Johnson**
campus police chief

given, campus police Chief Horace Johnson said outbursts in the police station would not be tolerated this year as they may have been in the past.

"We've installed a camera and a recording device, so anybody that comes in and throws a tantrum may see it at a disciplinary hearing," he said. "Our people are thick-skinned, but enough is enough."

Johnson also said doors to the police station are locked at 6 p.m.

this year to help protect workers at night. Those wanting in must ring a buzzer before they can enter.

Johnson said students and faculty should not blame his employees when they get a ticket.

"If they want to blame somebody, they should blame themselves," he said.

Student worker Shanon Metcalf said she has received her fair share of blame over the past four years.

"A lot of people come in and yell because they don't understand why they got a ticket," said Metcalf, a Louisville senior.

She remembers one incident when a professor parked illegally and got a ticket.

"The only thing he would say was, 'Do you expect me to park my car on my head?'" she said. "He said it about 20 times."

From now on, if someone is complaining and Metcalf is having a bad day, she said she thinks to herself, "I should tell them to go park on their head."

She said trying to intimidate her will not help people get the results they want, but a good attitude might.

Metcalf is a veteran, but when someone tries to bully a new student worker out of paying a parking ticket, Harold said she steps in and takes control.

"They don't get paid enough to have to listen to that," she said.



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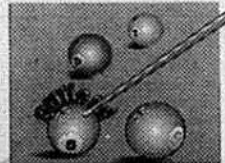
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Sports



After the Hilltoppers' 14-7 win against Eastern, Western coach Jack Harbaugh hugs sophomore linebackers Patrick Goodman, left, and Don Sowell in the locker room. The win moved Western to No. 15 in this week's Division I-AA Football Poll.

Alyse Preston/Herald

REGAINING RESPECT

Western beat Eastern Kentucky 14-7 in lowest scoring game of the cross-state rivals since 1983

There was good news and bad news for Eastern Kentucky when its football team stepped into Smith Stadium last Saturday.

The good news was the Colonels found a way to limit Western's highly-successful offensive tandem of junior quarterback Willie Taggart and senior tailback Antwan Floyd.

The bad news was Western's defense found ways to limit Eastern's entire offense — an offense that scored 38 points against No. 6 Troy State a week before.

Western, ranked 15th in this week's Division I-AA Football Poll, beat then-No. 11 Eastern 14-7 — its second win against a ranked team in two weeks — in front of 17,600 fans at Smith Stadium. The crowd was the largest to see a Western home game since more than 18,000 fans watched the Hilltoppers play Eastern in 1994.

The win improves Western's record to 3-0, already one win

better than last season's 2-8 mark. Since 1980, the Hilltoppers have started a season 3-0 just twice (1980, 1994).

While the offense was the difference in the first two wins against Kentucky Wesleyan on Aug. 29 and Murray State on Sept. 7, combining for 110 total points, last Saturday against Eastern (0-2) was the defense's night.

"I can't name all the big plays the defense made tonight," Western coach Jack Harbaugh said. "I've never seen anything like it before."

Western's defense carried the entire team in a scoreless second half. The Hilltoppers' defense stopped Eastern on three consecutive fourth down plays. The Colonels, who dropped to No. 25 this week because of the loss, went for a first down on a fourth-and-two and fourth-and-four in the third quarter and fourth-and-nine in the fourth quarter.

"We knew we had to step it



Chris Stanford/Herald

Keeping Western's drive alive late in the second quarter, senior tailback Antwan Floyd breaks tackles to gain another first down against Eastern. Floyd finished the night with 104 yards.

up so we played all our heart and souls," Western sophomore linebacker Trae Hackett said.

Hackett, who had five tackles, caused a fumble and intercepted a pass in the second quarter, said the conditioning coaches put him and the other players through this summer was a major factor in the second half.

"We work hard in conditioning and practice, so we weren't

sucking wind in the second half," he said. "We just kept up the intensity."

That intensity was enough to shut down Eastern's offense in the lowest scoring game of the Eastern and Western series since 1983, when the game ended in a 10-10 tie.

While Eastern's defense focused on the running attack of Taggart and Floyd, Western

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Story by Darryn Simmons

Toppers win two, lose own tourney

BY JERRY BREWER

Western volleyball coach Travis Hudson clutched his clipboard firmly against his chest as he stood at the end of his bench. His upright and upset body language revealed his frustration.

The Hilltoppers, riding a high after they beat Alabama-Birmingham 15-9, 9-15, 17-15, 15-7 in their second game of the Hilltopper Invitational Tournament last Saturday at Diddle Arena, were quickly humbled by Tennessee-Martin (5-4) 15-11, 14-16, 15-7, 5-15, 15-13 in the championship game.

Tennessee-Martin finished with a 3-0 record, while Western finished second.

"If you put two points in the other direction, I'd be feeling a lot of positives right now," Hudson said. "We'd be three games above .500, and things would be going well."

"It's all a matter of focus," Hudson said. "It takes a do-or-die situation before we ever start playing. As long as we do that, we're not going to beat good teams. We were very fortunate to walk the tightrope we walked on last weekend and come out 2-1."

Western has played well in spurts this season but has lacked consistency. At the Hilltopper Invitational, the same was true.

Western may have put together its best performance of the season beating Youngstown State 15-7, 15-13, 15-8 in Friday's first game.

The Hilltoppers found themselves in a dog fight in the third game against Alabama-Birmingham. Losing 11-1 and then 13-7, the Hilltoppers won the game 17-15 behind the gutsy play of junior middle hitter Jamie Ritterskamp, who had 22 kills and three blocks, and junior outside hitter Alexa Hartley, who had 13 kills.

After winning the game and going ahead 2-1, the Hilltoppers beat the Blazers 15-7 in the fourth game. It was only the second time in the teams' 24 meetings Western beat Alabama-Birmingham.

Western started slowly against Tennessee-Martin before coming from behind to force a fifth game. The Hilltoppers forced a 13-13 tie, battling back after an 11-7 deficit. But when freshman outside hitter Melissa Starck miss-hit a serve to give the Skyhawks a 14-13 lead, Tennessee-Martin won on a kill.

Tomorrow, Western plays at No. 15 Louisville (5-2) at 6:30 p.m.

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Western plans to renovate 28-year-old Smith Stadium track

BY JERRY BREWER

Every day, Western track coach Curtiss Long has to look at a cracked, uneven track. He can only remember the last time the track was in good condition.

"Something had to be done to improve this track," Long said. "So we got together and started working toward improving it."

Western is renovating the 28-year-old track at Smith Stadium, and ultimately hopes improvements will bring the Sun Belt Conference Track Championships to Bowling Green.

About a year ago, President Thomas Meredith received \$200,000 in private funds to begin the project, according to Athletics Director Lewis Mills. The donor wished to remain anonymous.

University Architect Paul Morgan, who is in charge of the renovation, said the original plan called for resurfacing the asphalt track with a synthetic rubber material and expanding it from six to eight lanes.

Other plans included: ♦ Adding a second runway in addition to the one that already exists for the long and

triple jumps

♦ Upgrading the area where field events occur

♦ Providing wire cages for events such as the shot put and other events where potentially dangerous objects are thrown

The group also wanted to modify the stadium by removing the first step and a portion of the front guard in the seating area.

After the plans were made, the first bid was sent to Frankfort for approval but was rejected Aug. 28, because it was \$168,000 over budget.

"Our first bid was approxi-

mately \$368,000," Morgan said. "Since we were way over our budget (of \$200,000), we're having to cut back some right now."

"We're going to divide this into two projects now with the first involving the actual resurfacing of the track with asphalt. We're going to delete the wire cages for now, and the actual stadium modification will be our second phase."

Morgan said the group will go to Frankfort again for approval in November. If the project is approved, resurfacing would begin in early April, and it

would take 60 to 90 days for the first phase to be completed.

Meanwhile, Mills said Western will look for \$175,000 in private funds to complete the second phase of the project.

Under a new contract with PepsiCo Inc., the Athletics department will receive about \$260,756 during the next five years, said Kevin Forney, Pepsi's Bowling Green branch manager. The money will help Western with the track renovations, according to Mills.

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tried something different to get the ball in the end zone — the air attack.

The Hilltoppers scored on the first drive of the second quarter when Taggart hit junior wide receiver Joey Stockton on a 33-yard pass.

"That touchdown scooted them back a bit and opened it up a little more for the running game," Stockton said. "If we get both the running and passing game clicking at the same time, we'll be unstoppable."

Floyd ended the first half

with a 11-yard touchdown run on a pitch from Taggart.

"The offensive line stepped up and made that happen with good blocking," Floyd said.

Floyd continued his attack on the record books with 104 yards rushing, his 16th game he has rushed for 100-plus yards. He now has rushed for a total of 3,109 yards.

Floyd is 461 yards away from beating Western's career rushing leader Joe Arnold, who ran for 3,570 yards from 1985-1988.

After a blocked punt by freshman defensive back Scooter Asell in the second quarter, Eastern scored on a 9-

yard touchdown run by senior tailback William Murrell, who finished the game with 125 yards.

It was the last time the Colonels would set foot in the end zone until walking off the field at the end of the game.

The Hilltoppers now prepare for a four-game road swing that takes them to Austin Peay (0-2) Saturday and to No. 1 Marshall (2-0) and Division I-A Alabama-Birmingham (1-2) the following two weeks.

"We'll be ready," Harbaugh said of his team's upcoming schedule. "But so far it's been one hell of a ride."

TRACK: Renovation may lure meets

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"We have a period of four to five years to finish this off," Mills said. "Hopefully, if this goes right, we can be finished within a year. This project has major implications for this university, and we're very excited about it."

Once the project is complete, Long said it will greatly benefit Western.

"The implications of this could be tremendous for our program, the Bowling Green community and for Western as a whole," Long said. "We could bring the Sun Belt Conference meet to Western, and we could bring in high schools and host invitationals."

Long feels the improved surface would allow Western a chance to bid for regional and state-high school meets, which

could be used as an indirect recruiting tool.

"Right now the surface is uneven, and it's chipping," he said. "Some of the inside lanes look like some of these intersections around town that are beginning to go. This makes us unable to conduct practices for the amount of time we need because we fear the risk of injury and further damage to the track."

♦ Sports briefs

Women's tennis

At its first tournament of the season last weekend at East Tennessee State, Western's women's tennis team was led by freshman Jamie O'Brien who made it to the tournament's round of eight.

Junior Rachel Dunlap lost in the first round but came back to win the backdraw tournament, beating Radford's Heskia Dil, 7-5, 6-2. Senior Leslie Cupp advanced to the finals of the backdraw tournament after she lost in the first round to Radford's Jill Archer, 7-6, 6-0.

Men's golf

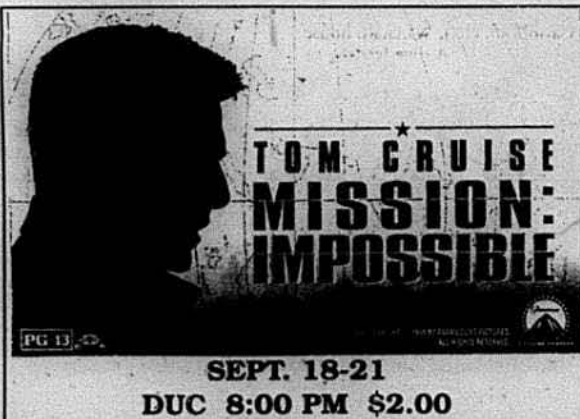
Cape Girardeau, Mo., was the site for the men's first golf tournament of the fall season, the Union Planters Classic Sept. 8-9.

Western finished seventh in the 12-team competition and featured three Toppers that finished in the top 25.

Freshman walk-on Robie Crockett made his debut in the tournament with a 76 in both rounds, finishing in 13th place with teammate Nate Gilchrist. Junior Jared Baysinger finished in 21st place on the par-72 course.

Western will head to Tennessee on Monday for a two-day tournament.

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Soccer drops third straight

◆ Team cited for showing unsportsmanlike conduct, plays short-handed in second half

By Mike Finch

Western soccer saw yellow last Friday night after their 3-0 loss to Valparaiso University. Western was issued four yellow cards and two red cards in the match.

Yellow cards were issued to freshman defender Luke Bickett, sophomore forward Joe Edwards, senior defender Greg Sparks and sophomore defender Brian Robbins for unsportsmanlike conduct.

Western played shorthanded for about the last 10 minutes of the second half because of the ejections of junior defender Darren Johnson and senior midfielder Tony Hester. Both players received red cards for accumulating two yellow cards during the match.

Western coach David Holmes refused to comment on the number of caution cards given during the match.

Western's soccer record fell to 1-4, while Valparaiso raised its record to 1-2-1.

The loss was the Hilltopper's second straight, and the fourth time they were shut out this season.

Western's coach, David Holmes, said, "The guys played well but were on the wrong side of the result."

Valparaiso scored in the first half at 24:43 on freshman forward J.J. Ruane's unassisted goal.

The Crusaders scored again in the second half at 81:13 on a goal by junior forward Bryan McCulloch, with an assist from junior forward Dave Kohlmeier. McCulloch repaid the favor, setting up Kohlmeier two minutes and 34 seconds later.

Despite the loss, Holmes was pleased the Hilltoppers outshot the Crusaders 17 to 15.

"We're creating more offensive opportunities," Holmes said. "This is the second game in a row that we've outshot our opponent. We're just unlucky not to score."

Holmes said the Hilltoppers changed their corner-kick play.

"We did some things differently and used some different players," he said. "The guys are working hard and staying together."

Senior goalkeeper and co-captain Lee Hunt said the team is still learning to play with one another.

"It was a downer losing, but what's important is to fight to win and get things back on track for the conference games," he said. "We're keeping our heads up and working hard."

Western plays next in the Southwest Missouri State Tournament on Saturday and Sunday.

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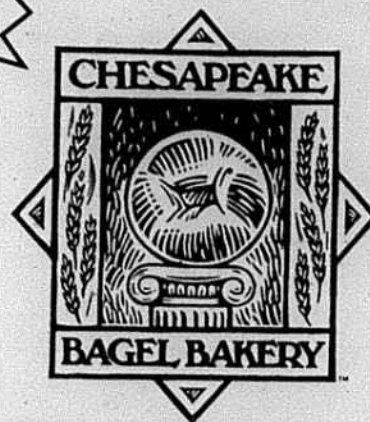
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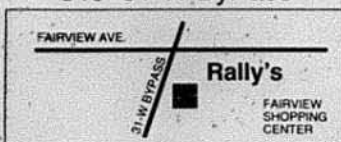
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